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Robert D. Barnes et al.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 FROM THE DECISION OF THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals and Interferences from the final decision, dated May 20, 2003, of the primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-27 of the above-referenced application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby request a one (1) month extension in the statutory period for response to the Office Action from August 20, 2003 to September 20, 2003 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite extension fee of \$110.00, and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 50-2401; Order No. 15-IS-5393/YOD (GEMS:0071).

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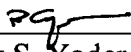
The Commissioner is authorized to charge the requisite filing fee of \$320.00 (Notice of Appeal), and any additional fees which may be required, to Deposit Account No. 50-2401; Order No. 15-IS-5393/YOD (GEMS:0071).

General Authorization for Extensions of Time

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicants hereby provide a general authorization to treat this and any future reply requiring an extension of time as incorporating a request therefor. Furthermore, Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee for any extension of time to Deposit Account No. 50-2401; Order No. 15-IS-5393/YOD (GEMS:0071).

Respectfully submitted,

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